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August 3rd, 1916.

President R.A.Falconer,

Lake Vernon

Huntsville, O N T.

Dear President Falconer:--

Your letter of the 29th ultimo is received, and I thank you for your promptness in the matter of Captain Robertson's recall. There is an additional reason for his recall, and I am sorry that I did not have Captain Robertson's letter to send to you but the Dean has possession of it. In it Robertson states that he is nervously very much upset and very depressed, and feels very strongly that he would like either to go to the firing line and take a chance -- as he expressed it -- at a "final rest", or return home. I consider his condition is such that he ought to be recalled.

His letter seems almost providential, as it came practically the same time as the request from the War Office that I join Lt-Col. Jones' command.

It is excessively hot here and we have had a large amount of work. I have had no vacation except the week-end. Certainly it is very difficult to get up any energy for teaching during this weather, and I sincerely hope we will not have another Summer Session.

Again thanking you, I am,
Yours sincerely,

Clarence L. Starr

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July 28/16

Dear President Falconer -

Two weeks ago I had rather an urgent appeal from Lt. Col. Robt. Jones, Inspector of Military Orthopedic Hospitals, stating the fact that they were short of surgeons to man their hospitals, which were already established, and asking if I could not manage to go over and take charge of one of them.

This was followed a few days ago, by a letter from Sir Alfred Keogh of the war office, offering me an appointment under Col. Jones command.

Almost by the same mail came a letter from Capt. D. E. Robertson in which he says he is breaking down and sleeping or generally anxious to return. Our work at the Childrens, and I think the teaching work a call on the efficiency David or during my absence if Robertson could be recalled.

I write to see if you can accomplish this and also to request leave of absence from the University.

I feel that this is a call I ought not to refuse as it is a work I feel qualified to do and apparently there is an immediate need.

Yours very sincerely Clarence L. Starr

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Dr Falconer.

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Trustees hospital for sick children perfectly willing Clarence Star should overseas.

J Ross Robertson.

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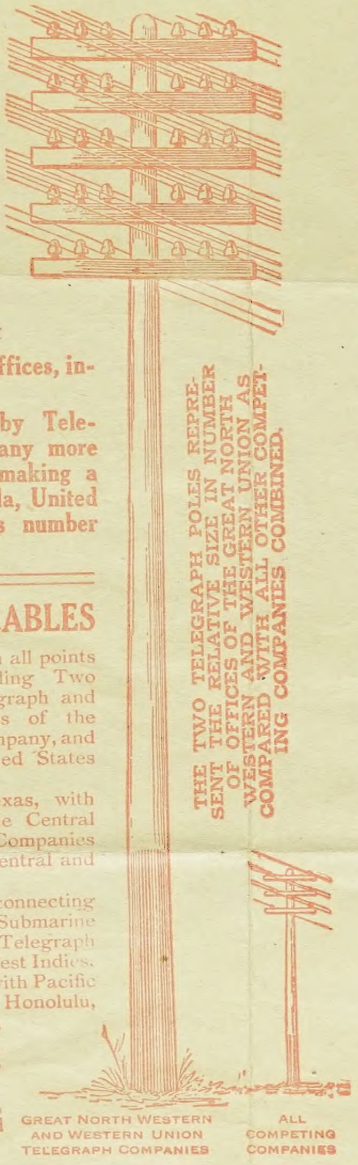

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2 discharged & Eddie Robertson willing and anxious to come back we cannot stand in the way I think. Will you apply for Robertson's return if you approve.

Yours sincerely
E K Clarke

TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL

Dr. D.R. Robertson who is with No. 1 Field Ambulance C.E.F. With Eddie & Robertson on the job at the Sick C. Asp. we need be quite safe & the teaching could go along as usual. The need of skilled orthopaedic surgeons among the Canadians is most urgent and Dr. Starr's real duty is there. I have felt that for some time the real standing block being the S.C. Asp. with Ross Robertson

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TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL

28 June 1916

Dear President Falconer.

Dr. Clarence Blain has just called on me re a proposal from the War Office regarding his going across to do special orthopaedic work. My own idea very first thought was that of J. Ross Robertson. He is quite willing that Dr. Blain should go I believe if we can recall